

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
SEPTEMBER 18, 1963

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was held beginning at 8:00 p.m. of Wednesday, September 18, 1963. Councilmen Brown, Culbertson, Dow, Ullmann and Katzakian (Mayor) present. None absent.

Also present: City Manager Graves, Planning Director Rodgers and City Attorney Mullen.

MINUTES Council Minutes of September 4, 1963, were approved as written and mailed on motion of Councilman Culbertson, Brown second.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The following actions of the Planning Commission at its meeting of September 9, 1963, were reported:

1. Recommended approval of a County use permit for the Lodi Truck Service to construct a box-storage shed on property located along the east side of Cherokee Lane and 1,000 feet south of Kettleman Lane.
2. Extended the C-S commercial shopping zoning for an additional year for the Barbera Shopping Center at the southeast corner of Kettleman Lane at West Lane.
3. Extended the C-S commercial shopping zoning for an additional year for the Ford Shopping Center located at the northwest corner of Cherokee Lane and Poplar Street.
4. Indicated favorable consideration for a proposed commercial-residential development to be located at the northwest corner of Cherokee Lane and Turner Road.

COMMUNICATIONS

TRAILER PARK REQUEST A letter was read from Mr. Jimmy C. Genn requesting a permit to establish a one-unit trailer park on the Harris Pine Mills property at 1111 South Stockton Street in the M Industrial zone. The request was referred to the Planning Commission for study and recommendation, on motion of Councilman Brown, Dow second.

THANKS FROM TRAILER CLUB A letter of appreciation was received from the Capitol Caravanners of Sacramento for being able to park their trailers at Lodi Lake Park over the Grape Festival weekend. They also expressed thanks to Mr. Orest Merry, Park Supervisor, and Robert Baker, Park Patrolman, for their services.

CVD, LCC Notice was received of the League of California Cities Central Valley Division meeting to be held in Los Banos on September 26, 1963.

FEDERAL FUNDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS A letter was read from the Housing and Home Finance Agency notifying the City that action on the City's application for Federal funds for the Southside Sanitary Sewer Line under the Public Works Acceleration Act has been deferred.

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SCHOOL BD RE Mr. Graves stated he had received an oral communi-  
EDUCATIONAL cation from Dr. Lawson Smith, Superintendent of  
TV Lodi Schools, requesting half an hour of time  
during a Council meeting in which the Elementary  
School Board would like to demonstrate educational  
television proposed for Lodi schools. He suggested  
the Council meeting of November 6 as a suitable  
date. Councilman Culbertson asked if the School  
Board had any proposals concerning the technical  
plans for installation of the TV lines to serve the  
schools. He and other members of the Council felt  
that it was not necessary for the Board to demon-  
strate the usefulness of educational television  
during a Council meeting since it is not a matter  
requiring a decision by the Council. The Council  
has already indicated its willingness to cooperate  
with the Board on this project (it had approved use  
of joint City-Telephone Company poles for TV cable  
subject to approval of the Telephone Company which  
subsequently rejected the proposal), and it was  
left up to the Mayor and City Manager to contact  
the Superintendent and School Board to decide what  
should be presented to the Council.

## REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

CLAIMS Claims in the amount of \$185,074.09 were approved  
on motion of Councilman Dow, Culbertson second.

AWARD - A single bid was received on the paving of Turner  
TURNER RD Road from Stockton Street to Highway 99. The bid  
PAVING was from Claude C. Wood Company for a total of  
\$4,416. City Manager Graves said this was a reason-  
RES. NO. 2661 able bid and he recommended that award be made.  
ADOPTED Councilman Brown moved the adoption of Resolution  
No. 2661 awarding the contract for the Turner Road  
paving to Claude C. Wood Company for a total of  
\$4,416. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dow  
and carried unanimously.

WITHDRAW City Manager Graves stated that annexation of the  
NORTHRIDGE Northridge Addition had been completed and it was  
ADDN FROM in order to withdraw this territory from the rural  
WRCFPD fire district. Councilman Culbertson moved the  
adoption of Resolution No. 2662 withdrawing the  
RES. NO. 2662 Northridge Addition from the Woodbridge Rural  
ADOPTED County Fire Protection District. The motion was  
seconded by Councilman Dow and carried unanimously.

RECONSIDER In asking the Council to review the cab and chassis  
CAB AND award made at the September 4 meeting, Mr. Graves  
CHASSIS said that prior to that meeting he had been assured  
AWARD that the bid of Tokay Motor Company had met the  
specifications, whereas the bid of Loewen Motor  
RES. NO. 2663 Company did not. On this basis, the Council had  
ADOPTED adopted Resolution No. 2659 awarding the contract  
to Tokay Motor Company. However, after the meeting  
he was told that the bid of Loewen Auto Company  
was as much in compliance as the Tokay Motor Company  
bid. In stating its compliance Tokay Motors had  
apparently misinterpreted the specifications.  
Neither company is able to furnish synchromesh in  
the first gear and it appears questionable that  
it could be furnished. In view of the fact that  
both bidders were basically in compliance with the  
specifications and that the bid of Loewen was lower  
than that of Tokay, it was moved by Councilman  
Culbertson, Dow second, that the Council adopt

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Resolution No. 2663 rescinding Resolution No. 2659 and awarding the contract for the cab and chassis to Loewen Motor Company for a total of \$7,355.92. Motion carried.

PLANTERS AT  
TOKAY ST  
BRIDGE OVER  
WID CANAL

Mr. Graves said he had been approached by Mr. Robert Houston, one of the subdividers of the Westdale Subdivision, concerning the possibility of the City accepting responsibility for maintaining two small planter boxes just east of the Tokay Street crossing of the W.I.D. Canal at the entrance to the subdivision. The subdividers have constructed at their own expense a brick and grape stake fence over the bridge and across the public right of way to a point where it will tie into adjoining residential fence lines. He has provided water lines to the planters and will pay the cost of shrubs specified or selected by the City. Mr. Graves stated that it was a matter to be considered by the Council with caution as it could get involved with more such requests. He said the Council should not establish a precedent, but he felt that in this instance the City was benefiting from the installation as it screened off the canal and enhanced the area and he recommended that the Council accept the proposal. City Attorney Mullen pointed out that from a safety and liability point of view City maintenance would be justified. Mr. DeBenedetti had estimated that proper maintenance could be done for an average of one man-hour per week. After discussion by the Council, it was moved by Councilman Brown that the City accept responsibility for maintenance of the planter boxes with the understanding that the decision was made on an individual basis and not as setting a precedent and that thanks be expressed to Mr. Houston for having beautified and made more safe an area which could have become a nuisance to the City. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dow and carried.

SALARY  
INCREASES

CLASSIFIED  
PERSONNEL

RES. NO. 2664  
ADOPTED

Consideration of employee salaries being next on the Agenda, the Council discussed the survey which had been presented by the City Manager at a previous meeting. The City Manager said that the cost estimate of \$60,459 for a 5% increase for the balance of the fiscal year included department heads as well as classified employees. Councilman Dow remarked that it might be advisable to have a re-survey of salaries and classifications within the next year and City Manager Graves agreed that a survey was indicated since the last one had been made six or seven years ago. He suggested that the survey be made towards the end of this fiscal year. On motion of Councilman Dow, Culbertson second, the City Council adopted by unanimous vote Resolution No. 2664 repealing Resolution No. 2613 and amending Tables I, II and III of Ordinance No. 444 to provide a one-step increase in the salary range for classified employees effective August 1, 1963.

SALARIES -  
DEPT. HEADS

Mr. Graves then made the following recommendations regarding salary increases for department heads:

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	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Public Works Director	\$1050	\$1100
Finance Director	860	925
Police Chief	800	850
Fire Chief	775	800
Supt. of Recreation & Parks	825	880
Planning Director	825	890
Supt. of Utilities	880	950

He explained the reasons for spread in some of the figures and said that since the Police Chief and Fire Chief had been in their positions such a short time, their salaries should be reconsidered before another year. On motion of Councilman Brown, Dow second, the City Council increased the salaries of department heads as recommended by the City Manager, effective August 1, 1963.

SALARIES -  
CITY MANAGER  
& CITY ATTY

Mayor Katzakian said he had received and reviewed a survey of salaries for City Manager and City Attorney, and he recommended that the City Manager's salary be increased to \$15,600 per annum and the City Attorney's to \$550 per month. On motion of Councilman Culbertson, Brown second, the Council increased the salary of the City Manager to \$15,600. The City Attorney's salary was then increased to \$550 on motion of Councilman Brown, Culbertson second, effective August 1, 1963.

TOKAY STREET

Action on the acceptance of Tokay Street in the Westdale Subdivision was postponed to a later meeting.

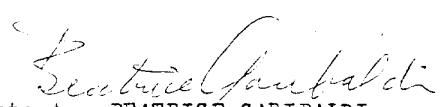
SPECS -  
TURNER RD &  
HAM LANE

In presenting the plans and specifications for "Turner Road & Ham Lane Street Improvement," Mr. Graves explained that the Division of Highways is reviewing this project for gas tax funds expenditure, particularly in regard to the inclusion of Ham Lane north of Turner Road in the Major Street System. If the Division of Highways turns down inclusion of Ham north of Turner in the Major Street System, the City will be required to use additional funds (\$2392) from the General Fund to pay for the City's share of this portion of the work. Councilman Dow moved that the plans and specifications for "Turner Road & Ham Lane Street Improvement" be approved and advertising for bids authorized, subject to approval from the State Division of Highways. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ullmann and carried.

CRISS  
FALSE ARREST  
SUIT

City Attorney Mullen informed the Council that the Criss false arrest suit could be disposed of by the payment of \$150 and he recommended that he be authorized to proceed on this basis. On motion of Councilman Brown, Dow second, the Council authorized the City Attorney to settle the Criss false arrest suit by payment of \$150.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned.

  
Attest: BEATRICE GARIBALDI  
City Clerk